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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 493
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A RESOLUTION To honor the memory of Mable Louise Landrum
Boyd.

WHEREAS, The members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Mable Louise Landrum Boyd; and

WHEREAS, The second of five children born to Jesse and Margaret Landrum, Mable Boyd was an exemplary woman who strove with loving dedication to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, She was a distinguished graduate of Tennessee State University, where she majored in home economics; throughout her life, she seized every opportunity to expand her understanding and knowledge; and

WHEREAS, A highly respected member of the greater Nashville community, Mrs. Boyd served with distinction as Chairman of the T.B. Boyd, Jr. National Endowment Fund and as a member of the Board of Directors of the National Baptist Publishing Board /R.H. Boyd Publishing Corporation; she also served on the Boards of Citizens Bank & Trust Company, and the Grace Eaton Day Care Center; and

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WHEREAS, Mable Louise Landrum Boyd was deeply devoted to her family and considered them to be a great blessing in her life; and

WHEREAS, Mable Boyd enjoyed the loving companionship of her high school sweetheart and husband, Dr. T.B. Boyd, Jr., who preceded her in death; Dr. Boyd, Jr. served as a Pastor of the Greater Salem Baptist Church in Louisville and as Secretary and Treasurer of the National Baptist Publishing Board, which had been founded by his grandfather; and

WHEREAS, A dedicated wife for over forty-seven years and mother to four children, she made her home a joyful haven; as a pastor's wife, she was a source of comfort and wisdom for her husband's congregation; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Boyd will be sorely missed by her sons, T.B. Boyd III and William Allen Boyd; her daughters, Brenda Joyce Boyd-Hadley and Margaret Jerrilyn Boyd-Hadley; her sister, Reba Majors; fourteen grandchildren; and one great-grandchild; and

WHEREAS, An excellent seamstress and cook, Mable Louise Landrum Boyd also loved to travel; her son, T. B. Boyd III, President and CEO of the National Baptist Publishing Board, has said "...when I was in college, my roommates had their feet under our table before I could get there because my mother was an excellent cook"; and

WHEREAS, Mable Boyd leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and faith and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, It is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Mable Louise Landrum Boyd, reflecting fondly on her impeccable character, her commitment to her family and community, and celebrate the beauty and the joy that was her life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mable Louise Boyd.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.